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In re US Patent Application of)
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Titled: TRANSFORMER FOR DIMMER)
SWITCH OR ON/OFF SWITCH AND)
METHOD OF USE) Date: March 24, 2004.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Of particular interest are United States Patents Nos. 3,397,355 to Frank; 4,408,154 to Cote; 3,728,611 to Elvin; and 4,443,740 to Goralnik.

The '355 patent discloses a TAP changing transformer for varying power supply to a load. As shown on Figure 4, the input L1 may be varied between fixed contact 1' and contact 3' for adjusting the voltage applied to an article via a transformer.

The '154 patent discloses a dual voltage power supply adapted for permitting operation via either 120 or 220 volt inputs. The power supply utilizes a switch 17' to alter the flow from the input terminal 14'.

The '611 patent discloses the utilization of a plurality of terminals on the load side of an inductor 11 for altering the flow to a fluorescent lamp.

The '013, '925, '434', '870, '586, and '110 patents are considered to be of interest, but none suggests or renders obvious the claimed invention.

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